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PATRONIZE HOME MERCHANTS

The Folly of Buying of Canvassers and Peddlers Easily Seen by a Little Careful Thought.

A number of peddlers have been in Goodland this week and are plying their avocation in town and county. Beside the peddlers solicitors of orders for groceries and other goods have frequently worked this territory. Private individuals, residents of the town and county, having received circulars from city houses, have also got up clubs and sent off orders for goods. The total amount of money thus secured and the total of orders sent is much larger than many have an idea of. Of course all this trade is lost to local merchants.

People that practice this policy justify themselves on the ground that they get goods cheaper and of an equally good quality; that the merchants of Goodland charge too much for their goods. How much truth there is in this contention could only be discovered by a careful comparison of prices and qualities of goods; but it is safe to say that if parties who make a practice of giving orders to canvassers and buying of peddlers would give the matter careful consideration they would hereafter patronize the home merchants.

Your grocer sends his delivery wagon to your door every day, rain or shine, to receive or deliver orders no matter how small; his reputation is back of the goods and if not satisfactory you get your money returned or other goods in their place; and at the same time perhaps bears the burden of carrying your account for 30 days, and lastly, a careful comparison of quality and prices of goods will show a decided advantage in buying of your local grocery in preference to the canvasser or peddler.

When you buy of the irresponsible canvasser or peddler you have no chance to right the matter should the goods prove unsatisfactory, while you pay cash and the money is lost forever in the improving and upbuilding of county and city, and maintenance of home government.

Consider all points carefully and you will find it to your own interest to invariably give the home merchant your trade.

Requests Upon a Millionaire.

Hiawatha has a boys' club. Its object is to help boys to get started right in life. One of the women who is interested in the club wrote to Helen Gould recently, asking her to contribute something for the club. Miss Gould replied that, owing to the many requests she received for money, she would be unable to give anything. A printed blank was also sent giving the analysis of the mail received by Miss Gould in one week. She received 1,303 letters. One person wanted to form a colony in Cuba and asked for \$1,000,000. Only a third of the supplicants wanted the amount of money they wanted, but that amounted to \$549,502. One hundred and forty-nine persons asked for money to raise mortgages, 43 for church aid, 34 wrote for old clothes, and 17 asked for good advice. Seven persons wrote that they had named their children after Miss Gould, one that he wished money to go shares on alfalfa raising in California, another wanted to buy a farm and three cows. The best of all, however, was the young woman who wanted a house so that she could get married at once.

An Opinion from Nelson.

State Superintendent Nelson has given an opinion in regard to the law for compensation of parent or guardian for conveyance of pupils to and from school in which he says: "The law does not require that the board shall pay the maximum amount of 15 cents per day to each pupil. It does not require that some sum should be paid, not to exceed that amount. The intention of the legislature was that the parent or guardian should come to some equitable agreement whereby the reasonable and necessary expense for so conveying the children should be paid. The fact that the parent or guardian furnished the conveyance, which was driven by one of the pupils attending school, would not deprive him of a claim for compensation; though doubtless the fact that no special or extra driver was needed would make a difference in the amount of compensation to be paid."

Infatigable Kansas.

Kansas, home of genius and originality, nurse of strong men with crochets in their brains, and of strong women with bees in their bonnets—has there been, is there, will there ever be anything like Kansas? Great to build and great to smash, and bound to do everything in a way of its own. At Wichita, the battle ground of the Hatfield Heroin, a national bank has resolved, put a revenue stamp on, and cashed a check written on a shingle. Now, who but a Kansas man ever thought of using a roof as a check book?—New York Sun.

Take THE REPUBLIC a year—only \$1.

BACK FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

Alfred Prewitt, a Goodland Boy, Serves Nearly Two Years in the Islands With the Band of the Thirty-Fourth.

Alfred Prewitt returned to Goodland Sunday after an absence of nearly two years, most of which was spent in the Philippines. He left Goodland in July, 1899, and enlisted in the band of the Thirty-fourth infantry which was recruited at Fort Logan, Col., in September and was sent to the Philippines soon after.

Prewitt enlisted as a private and was given tuba in the band, but was soon put on baritone and later advanced to principal musician. The band gave up their instruments for rifles soon after actual campaigning in the islands began, and saw service nearly the entire length of Luzon at the head of their regiment. Out of the 24 enlisted in the band but 11 returned with their command, two being discharged and 11 being either killed in battle, dying of disease or by accident.

The regiment left Manila early in March, landing at San Francisco on the 29th. Al was mustered out only last week and came direct to Goodland for a visit with his sisters, Mrs. Sam Beidelman and Misses Pearl and Mamie Prewitt. They all left for Kansas City Monday night for a visit with their father.

Enlisted in the Navy.

Goodland has furnished many soldiers for Uncle Sam's army, and now has sent a recruit to the navy.

Alfred C. Handley went to Kansas City last Thursday, accompanied by his father, J. W. Handley, and was enlisted into the navy by the recruiting board Friday, which was the last day of a two-week's stay of the board at that place. Young Handley, who is just past 16, entered as an apprentice, third class, and left with 150 other recruits Saturday for San Francisco where they will be put into training at Mare Island navy yard.

Bounty on Triplets.

Governor Stanley wishes to encourage the raising of triplets in Kansas, says the Topeka Capital. The other day he decided to give a present to every set of triplets born in the state. This idea suggested itself to him on the receipt of a letter from Mrs. Mary L. Cook, of Kingman, informing him that she had just given birth to three girls, and asking the governor to send her the bounty which the state pays for triplets. The governor replied that the state paid no bounty, but that if she would send him the names of the triplets he would send them a present. "What we want in Kansas more than anything else just now is population," said he in his letter, "and you are doing your full share towards accomplishing that desired result."

The Weather.

The first warm weather of the year came this week, and coupled with the wet condition of the soil, has caused the grass and all crops already in the ground to start nicely. Grazing will soon be good and cattle will rapidly recuperate from the long siege of bad storms during March and the first half of April.

Farmers throughout the county are taking advantage of this spell of nice weather and are putting in late spring wheat, corn, potatoes and forage crops. A very light rain fell Tuesday evening, and large banks of clouds have spoke the near approach of spring thunder showers.

No Use, Distance the Same Both Ways.

Lewis Whitescarber tells a good joke on Sherman county, where he has taken up land. He said he met a man hauling water and asked him how far he had to haul it, and he answered "seven miles." "Why don't you dig for water?" "It's no use," said the settler, "it wouldn't shorten the distance any."—Canyon City Stager.

Mud Clean Up by May 1st.

At a meeting of the board of health held April 15, the following order was adopted: That all persons owning or occupying any property in the city of Goodland are hereby required and ordered to clean up all refuse and manure around their premises on or before the 1st day of May, 1901, or the work will be done and costs of cleaning up will be charged up to the property. This order will be enforced. By order of the board of health.

ALFRED DAWSON, Chairman.
W. H. FARROW, Secretary.

Quaker Reflections.

(From the Philadelphia Record.)
High fliers—kites.
April keeps the weather man guessing.
The policeman's wife is seldom a club woman.
The question of the hour—"What time is it?"
Choir singers are usually chants acquaintances.
De Tanque—Ginsler drinks nothing but benedictine. O'Soague—Perhaps that accounts for his cordial manners.
There's an odor in the air,
And it sets us all a-gaze,
It is not the springtime fair,
Tis the odor of egg-nog.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. G. L. Calvert is visiting friends near Edson.

E. H. Dail, of Oberlin, was in Goodland Tuesday.

J. T. Macgagan, of Wallace, was in town Tuesday.

Miss Bessie Watters has been quite sick this week.

Ed Cole was a visitor at Brullington, Col., this week.

John Butts, of Cripple Creek, is here the guest of relatives.

Mrs. Dave Agterter has gone to Denver to join her husband.

Miss Corinne Douglas has gone to Nebraska to visit relatives.

Joe Smalley and wife left Monday night for Great Falls, Mont.

Mrs. H. K. Wheat left Monday morning for a visit in Beatrice, Neb.

Mrs. C. E. Biddison returned Monday from a brief visit in Denver.

Dr. Robertson, of Denver, is in town for a visit with his son, H. L. Robertson.

A. V. Jesse, of Millisack's store at Burlington, Col., was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. W. Stephens left Sunday evening for a visit with relatives in Onaga, Kan.

John Nye, of Chicago, was here Saturday. He went east on the evening train.

G. L. Calvert was at Colby Tuesday on business before the United States land office.

Joe Collins is working at the barber trade again. He is employed in the Blodgett shop.

E. Sater has returned from Iowa where he has been visiting relatives several months.

Rev. J. W. Tipton, of Oberlin, formerly of this city, is in town visiting his son, Herman Tipton.

Ross Herron has quit slinging type for THE REPUBLIC and has resumed his occupation as "hash slinger."

B. J. Menze, of Kansas City, salesman for Remington typewriters, was canvassing Goodland Wednesday.

Henry Allen, formerly of this city, but who is now conducting a barber shop at Selden, was here this week.

Roe Bowers, of St. Francis, formerly a hardware merchant of that place, was in town Monday en route to Topeka.

Dr. W. H. Farrow left Sunday for Pueblo where he will take baths at the springs at that place for rheumatism.

Glen Filer left Monday evening for Caldwell, Kan., where he expects to find employment at the carpenter trade.

Harry Roberts, formerly of this city, now of Cortland, Kan., was here yesterday. He is a traveling salesman, selling dental supplies.

H. H. Matter, of Salina, traveling collector for the Plano Harvesting company, was in Goodland Tuesday on business for his firm.

Louis Farrow has gone to the country to rusticate. He has taken a job on the Clayton ranch, which is now owned by Lee Conquest.

Miss Doran, a sister of Mrs. Pat Brown, is in town the guest of her sister. Miss Doran had recently come to this country from Ireland.

Mrs. S. Beidelman, Misses Mayme and Pearl Prewitt, accompanied by their brother, Al Prewitt, left Monday night for a few weeks visit in Kansas City.

R. E. White, of Cass county, Ia., formerly of this city, was in town Saturday. Mr. White was formerly employed in the flouring mill at this place.

Neil Nelson, of Grant township, was in town yesterday. He has just finished sowing 100 acres of wheat and he came to town to have it insured against hail storms.

Wesley Coleman, who has been an invalid since last October, owing to a paralytic stroke, was able to walk up town Monday. He is compelled to use crutches.

W. F. Bartlett, of Clifton Park, O., was stopping at the Commercial hotel this week. He thinks of making his home here. Mr. Bartlett is accompanied by his wife.

Mrs. Fred Horney left for her home in Brewster Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Horney leave many friends here who regret their departure.—Shar-on Springs Times.

Hank Ward, of Goodland, accompanied by Thomas Edgerton, has arrived at W. R. Lewis' where Mr. Mullen will treat Edgerton for cancer.—Smith Center Journal.

Joseph Hinton, who on February 14 last shot Miss Maggie Shurtz at Logan, was found guilty of murder in the first degree at Phillipsburg last Saturday. He will be given a life sentence.

A. F. Brown, of Topeka, was in Goodland Monday. He represents P. Blakiston's Son & Co., of Philadelphia, publishers of medical works. The works are standard for regular practitioners.

Mrs. George Cunningham returned to her home in Kansas City Saturday. Mr. Cunningham, who is a trainman between Phillipsburg and Kansas City, was here Saturday and accompanied his wife home.

J. H. Mayne, of Council Bluffs, Ia., was here this week looking for investment in Sherman county lands. He will buy ten or twelve quarter sections of land if he can find prices and locations to suit him.

W. H. Waltman, of Cripple Creek, arrived in Goodland Wednesday and will make his home here. His wife is the daughter of Mrs. Gerber. The family will live in the Dr. Gandy house near the opera house.

Mrs. Theresa Lawless-Fitzgerald, sister of Mrs. S. B. Hubbard and Miss Gertrude Lawless, of Goodland, died at her home in Eagle, Wis., Monday, April 15. Mrs. Hubbard and Miss Lawless were called to Wisconsin several weeks ago by their sister's illness, and Mr. Hubbard left last week to attend the funeral. Mrs. Fitzgerald was 23 years of age and the wife of Dr. James J. Fitzgerald, of Eagle.

RAILROAD SPIKES.

Tom Taggart returned from Denver Friday.

Engine 468 is a new engine on this division.

Roadmaster C. B. Lane, of Phillipsburg, was here Tuesday.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Hartman yesterday.

Fireman Hugh Robertson, of the 899, was off a few trips this week.

Tom Pickenbaugh, formerly a fireman on this division, is in town.

Fireman Dimmitt, of the Roswell Switch engine, was here Saturday.

Conductor Herbert Farley rode the O. R. C. goat at the meeting held Sunday.

H. H. Graham, the tinner, quit Tuesday night and left for Colorado Springs.

Engine 894 broke her main pin at Jennings while pulling the local west Monday.

The Denver & Rio Grande and the Rio Grande Western railroads have consolidated.

Sherman Wileman, boilerwasher, was laid up this week on account of an injury to his foot.

Lew Hargraves, hostler helper, returned to work Monday night after a few days' layoff.

Everett Corder, a shopman, had his thumb mashed last week while working on engine 911.

Round House Foreman Brinker, who has been sick in bed for a few weeks, is able to be around.

Operator Finley's wife, who has been here for a visit with her husband, returned to Topeka yesterday.

Fireman Henry Yantis is laying off and is spending the time repairing and improving his residence property.

A. L. Studer, of Horton, superintendent of motive power and equipment, spent Monday in Goodland.

Engine 474 has been brought from the east and has been sent to the Roswell-Pueblo run for passenger service.

Station Agent J. W. Handley returned from Kansas City Sunday where he took his son, Fred, who enlisted in the navy.

Superintendent F. C. Smith, of Colorado Springs, was in Goodland Wednesday on business connected with his office.

The tramps have made their appearance, a sure sign of warmer weather. There were several of the hobo type in town Sunday.

Engineer Joe Berry and Fireman Bob Sisty, of the Denver run, were here Wednesday with engine 944 for light repairs.

Engineer J. H. Bush, who has been laying off sick for some time, will go to work Monday, having recovered from his indisposition.

Conductor Bagley, of the local, went out on his car Wednesday after being off duty a couple of weeks. Conductor Wilson had his car.

All railroad men who wish to sign with the railroad base ball club will please see Fireman Will Roach or Machinist Jesse Prothers at once.

Mrs. M. C. Jackson arrived here from Chicago yesterday. She is the wife of Brakeman Jackson, who was recently transferred from Chicago to this point.

Engineer W. McLellan, of the Roswell-Pueblo run, was here Friday. "Mac" was in charge of the Rock Island engine in the collision near Pueblo recently.

M. E. Ingalls, president of the Big Four railroad, recently made a speech in Kansas City in which he advocated franchise and income tax and expressed concern because of the prevalence of trusts.

The special train which President McKinley and his cabinet will make their western trip will consist of an engine and seven cars and will be one of the finest trains ever put upon a railroad track.

The Rock Island has sent out from fifty to a hundred men from Wichita in the last few days to the new rock crusher at Cory, ten miles north of Marion. It is the intention of the company to put out ballast at once of crushed rock and burnt gumbo all along the line of the road. Burnt gumbo is considered the best ballast to be had and is prepared by burning gumbo soil, the same as brick is burned, in a sort of kiln.

Engineer C. F. McSteen went to Council Bluffs Wednesday and returned the following day with No. 5 pulled by one of the big 1300's. This is one of the engines out of the biggest series ever made. The drive wheels of which there are four on a side, are about seven feet high and the engine is said to have a maximum speed of 100 miles per hour. This engine is to be used on 5 and 6 between here and the Bluffs for a week or ten days on trial.—Fairbury Journal.

Changes on the Rock Island.

The following changes in the operating department were announced at Chicago Tuesday by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway: A. J. Hitt, general superintendent, to be general manager, with headquarters at Chicago; W. M. Hobbs, superintendent of lines east of the Missouri river, to be general superintendent of the system at Chicago; W. H. Stillwell, superintendent of lines west of the Missouri river, to be superintendent of lines east of the river at Davenport; C. H. Habbell, superintendent Chicago terminals, to be superintendent of lines west of Missouri river at Topeka.

Teachers' Examination.

The next regular teachers' examination will be held at the court house, Saturday, April 27, commencing at 7:30 a. m.

J. R. Reed.

County Superintendent.

The Wizard's grocery department is your savings bank, the continuous small savings accruing daily.

TOLD IN A LINE.

The grass on the prairies is becoming quite green.

The warm weather has brought to life the house flies.

Some people are beginning to complain of "spring fever" already.

The condition of the Kansas wheat crop is reported to be about perfect.

The spring cleaning up around the back yards is going on at a good pace.

Fishing parties on the Smoky are quite numerous and popular these days.

C. M. Millisack has painted the roof of his store and outbuildings this week.

Only two weeks more of the city school. There will be no graduates this year.

To Mr. O. Sol: We were delighted at this pleasant visit. Won't you come every day?

The town herd is only awaiting a few more inches of grass to wend slowly over the lea.

County Treasurer Warner is having his residence painted. E. L. Blodgett is doing the work.

The quarterly examination for teachers' certificates will be held at the court house to-morrow.

Jessie James has closed a successful term of school in Sherman county.—Jayhawker Jots in Topeka Journal.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith Artman, a girl, Wednesday. Mr. Artman lives about 12 miles northeast of Goodland.

Col. Bradley, the auctioneer, has resumed his regular Saturday auction. Last Saturday he sold a lot of household goods.

Arensberg & Callen were granted a druggists permit to sell liquor for medical purposes by Probate Judge Calvert Wednesday.

Sam Oakford, of Kansas City, representative J. W. Jenkins' Sons Music company, is in town the guest of his brother, W. D. Oakford.

The Monday Evening Musical club has been revived. A meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dawson Monday evening.

Sam Vassar shipped in 32 head of young cows and one registered Durham bull from Norton Tuesday. He has them on sale in Goodland this week.

Camille Jupe's transfer wagons, according to the proprietor, have more work than can be handled and another man is needed.

An ice cream social, the first of the season, was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Rice Tuesday evening, the proceeds for the benefit of the Christian church.

The Eastern Star entertained a large number of guests at their lodge room last night. The Pilgrim degree was exemplified, refreshments were served and a pleasant time was obtained.

Dr. Gandy has moved his building which stood next to Walker's implement house to his lot near his residence on Tenth street. He will remodel the building and when completed the doctor will occupy it as an office.

Rev. A. J. Good, the new Methodist pastor, arrived in Goodland with his family last Saturday and has gone to housekeeping in the parsonage. Rev. Good preached his initial sermon Sunday morning to a large congregation and made a very favorable impression.

County Superintendent J. R. Reed has announced the faculty for the normal institute. H. W. Jones, of the Topeka city schools, will be the conductor; T. B. Wolfe, of Oberlin, and J. A. Guino, of Goodland, instructors. The institute will commence June 3 and will continue four weeks.

Marion Walker, of Randolph, Ia., brought in a bunch of stock last Friday. He has 30 head of three-year-old heifers, 34 calves, eight brood mares and one pony. He shipped to St. Francis and drove them to this county. H. S. Cloud accompanied him and is in care of the stock. Mr. Walker will run the stock on the Coffin ranch.

A man, wife and six small children were in town Saturday en route east. They were stranded and the woman spent the day begging for money. She claimed her husband was "lead poisoned" and unable to work and they were trying to get east. The man appeared to be strong and healthy, however. They left Saturday evening, having secured enough money to pay their way quite a distance.

A new postoffice building has gone into effect imposing a fine of \$200 or one year's imprisonment to anyone who carelessly or otherwise takes mail not belonging to them from the office and fails to return it immediately. This applies to newspapers as well as letters and other valuable mail. People when taking mail from the office should examine it before they leave the building; it will only take a moment and save a great deal of trouble.

M. B. Lewis and wife left last night for Illinois where they will make their home. Mr. Lewis has been engaged in farming and stock raising in Voltaire township for a number of years, and has made considerable money. His sale on Wednesday was largely attended and stock brought good prices and sales were mostly for cash. Good cows sold as high as \$44 per head.

Pointed Paragraphs.

(From the Chicago News.)
Egotism is an alphabet of only one letter.

Time well arranged indicates a well ordered mind.

An optimist says that pessimism is the faith of cowards.

The world is like a piece of music—full of sharps and flats.

The royal road to wealth is paved with industry and frugality.

A wise man occasionally makes mistakes, but he doesn't repeat them.

It doesn't require a chiropodist to put the feet of a poem in order.

A fool knows other people's business better than a wise man knows his own.

A man should not be blamed for his ignorance if he doesn't know enough to find out.

A BIG MOVE IN REAL ESTATE.

A Council Bluffs Capitalist Purchases 2,400 Acres of Sherman County Land as an Investment.

M. Robinson, the real estate man, has completed one of the largest transfers of Sherman county realty in the history of Goodland. Altogether the deal includes 15 quarter sections in different parts of the county, or about 2,400 acres.

The purchaser is a Council Bluffs, Ia., capitalist who is buying the land as an investment, and his agent, J. H. Mayne, of Council Bluffs, has spent several days here this week driving over the county looking at the property and expressing himself as being fully satisfied that every quarter is as represented and has so reported to the investor, who will close the deal with Mr. Robinson immediately.

The land was owned by parties who were willing to sell cheap, the prices ranging at about \$1 and \$1.25 per acre. The purchaser will certainly find that he has made a good investment, for Sherman county land is attracting considerable capital and an upward tendency in prices is being felt.

FROM THE WAYSIDE.

A Goodland man will manufacture artificial ice this summer and will furnish it at such a low price that nearly every home will be able to enjoy this luxury, and will also cause a great loss to fall on the ice men who went to heavy expense to put up a large supply during the winter. The ice will be made out of Goodland's crystal-clear hydrant water, and by a process that is entirely new which will be patented by the inventor, who wishes his name withheld at present, and who is working on his models almost night and day.

Liquidified air will be the freezing agency used, the idea occurring to this genius a short time ago entirely by accident. While standing on a street corner he noticed a sudden and very perceptible fall in the temperature, so much so that fully 30 minutes spent in standing where the warm rays of old Sol struck him squarely, served only to partly thaw him out. He then set his fertile brain to work in an endeavor to discover the cause of this sudden supply of north pole atmosphere, and finally remembered that two society dames, who were known to be at outs, had met on the corner simultaneously with the advent of his late chill. Quick to take advantage of an offered opportunity, he saw that there was money to be made in the ice business if only a machine could be made that would successfully bottle up for future use the abundant supply of liquidified air that was daily going to waste around where the elite of the fair sex were wont to frequent.

The inventor expects to have five or six of his machines done soon and will endeavor to get concessions to place one in Mrs. Hartman's place, Seaman Sisters millinery store and Millisack's and Dawson's, the popular shopping centers. So many on the society were have a frosty feeling for one another and barely speak as they meet, the inventor feels that should his machines prove successful as anticipated, he will surely not fail for want of a freezing element.

The weather reporter often writes of a dry and windy subject in western Kansas.

It was not a very vain Goodland girl that went calling Sunday afternoon and forgot her Easter bonnet when she went home.

An Indiana editor has made this queer discovery: "There are two families in the western part of Perry county named Day and Sunday, who are neighbors. Day is the father of seven daughters, and Sunday has an equal number of sons. Five of the Days have married Sundays and another is engaged to a Sunday, so that it now appears every Day will be Sunday by and by."

New Jersey seems to have a corner on the anarchist as well as the trust organization business.

The potato has its eyes peeled when being prepared for dinner.

The Angora goat has proven to be a better stayer than the Belgian hare.

At Fort Leavenworth is a young second lieutenant only recently from the Point. With him is his bride. Shortly after their arrival at the post a hop was given, and the bride and groom attended. While dancing with a Leavenworth young man she was asked the usual question: "How do you like Leavenworth?" "Leavenworth appears to be very nice," she answered, "but I don't think much of its society. Why, over there is a girl what sold men's pair of gloves this afternoon." To which the young man is said to have replied in a tone full of sympathy: "Quite true, quite true; and to think that you are dancing with a man who sold your husband a pair of socks to-day."